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I-496 Project Update

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Reconstruction on I-496 is in progress! The project officially started April 1 with the closure of eastbound I-496 that will last into mid-summer. Construction will then take place on westbound I-496, which will be closed until November.

Project Progress the Last Two Weeks:

- Underdrains and open-graded drainage course have been placed up to Snow Road and on the Creyts Road ramps.
- Concrete paving has been completed up to the Creyts Road off ramp.
- Waverly Road:
 - o Sidewalk, curb and gutter were removed.
 - o Grading for the shared-use path started.
 - o Drainage structure and storm sewer placement has started.
- The eastbound I-496 bridge over Waverly Road has had deck patching and railing form work completed.
- Shear studs, reinforcement steel, and expansion joints have been installed on the eastbound I-496 bridge over Lansing Road, along with substructure repairs.
- False decking and the hanging of fascia jacks has been completed on the Main Street bridge over I-496.
- The following work has been completed on the northbound Creyts Road bridge over I-496:
 - o The expansion dam and waterproof membrane have been placed.
 - o End joints have been poured.
 - o Bearing replacements have begun.

• The cofferdam and temporary diversion sheeting are 75 percent complete at the box culvert replacement on the Moon Hamilton Drain.

Project Expectations for the Next Two Weeks:

- Pavement removal and culverts will be completed on the northbound Creyts Road ramp to eastbound I-496.
- Underdrain and open-graded drainage course will be installed at the following locations:
 - o I-496 from Snow Road to Waverly Road.
 - o The northbound Creyts Road ramp to eastbound I-496.
- Concrete paving will continue on both the shoulders and lanes of eastbound I-496.
- Waverly Road:
 - o Drainage structure and storm sewer placement will continue.
 - o Underground pipe crossings will be completed.
 - o Continue grading for the bike path.
 - o Concrete placement will begin on the bike path.
- Railings will be poured on the eastbound I-496 bridge over Waverly Road.
- The deck will be poured on the eastbound I-496 bridge over Lansing Road.
- The following work will take place on the Main Street bridge over I-496:
 - o Shear developers will be removed and beam tops cleaned.
 - Welded beam repair.
- The concrete approaches, hot-mix asphalt surface and bearing replacements of the northbound Creyts Road bridge over I-496 will be completed.
- Beam end repairs will begin on Mt. Hope Road.
- The following work will take place at the box culvert replacement at the Moon Hamilton Drain:
 - o Cofferdam and temporary diversion sheeting will be completed.
 - o Whalers will be installed.
 - o The diversion channel will be excavated.
 - o Channel diversion will begin, with box culvert removal taking place soon after.

How Will Traffic Be Affected?

- Eastbound I-496 traffic will remain detoured via I-96 to Lansing Road.
 - The I-96, Creyts Road, and Waverly Road ramps to eastbound I-496 will be closed.
- Main Street:
 - The Main Street bridge over I-496 is detoured via Waverly Road to Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.
- Waverly Road between Lansing Road and St. Joseph Street:
 - Northbound Waverly Road traffic is detoured via Lansing Road, Main Street, Clare Street, and St. Joseph Street. Two-way Waverly Road traffic is maintained from the westbound entrance/exit ramps to St. Joseph Street.
- Creyts Road over I-496:
 - The northbound lanes of the Creyts Road bridge over I-496 are closed with traffic maintained in each direction on the southbound side of the bridge.

General Project Information:

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing approximately \$60 million to improve I-496 between I-96 and Lansing Road. Work will include reconstructing the freeway and ramps, preventive maintenance on all the bridges in the project area, and making operational improvements to the entrance and exit ramps at the I-96, Creyts Road, and Waverly Road interchanges.

Additional Information:

For more information about the I-496 project, go to www.Michigan.gov/496Lansing. The project website contains various visual aids, including alternate route maps, and additional links to project-related information.

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